And Administered IDBs

Watercourse Vesting & De-Vesting: Process

There is no prescribed legal process for MLC or an IDB to follow in terms of vesting (adopting) or de-vesting (un-adopting) a watercourse.

In the absence of this and any unified approach across the sector, the steps below provide a framework to be followed by the MLC and its administered IDBs.

Steps:

1 A need to vest or de-vest a watercourse (or section of a watercourse) is identified by a Board Member, official or employee, or a request is received from a third party (eg ratepayer, parish council).

2 Evaluation of need or request.

3 The identified need or request is discussed at a quorate meeting of the MLC or the relevant IDB, with decision and rationale minuted.

4 The MLC or Board's GIS records and district plan are amended accordingly.

5 Relevant parties are informed of the decision.

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